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Mr. John Vlahakis Venus Laboratories Inc. 855 Lively Boulevard Wood Dale, Illinois 60191 SITE ASSESSMENT SECTION



Subject:

Venus Laboratories Inc. 855 Lively Boulevard Wood Dale, Illinois, 60191 CERCLIS ID No. ILD980497747

Dear Mr. Vlahakis:

B&V Waste Science and Technology Corp. (BVWST) has been retained by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) to conduct an expanded site inspection (ESI) of the Venus Laboratories Inc. facility in Wood Dale.

USEPA reviewed the October 26, 1992, correspondence prepared by your consultant, Geraghty and Miller, regarding the Site Screening Inspection and potential Hazard Ranking System (HRS) scoring. The agency decided to proceed with evaluating this site under the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (CERCLA) program instead of the Leaking Underground Storage Tank (LUST) program as proposed by Geraghty and Miller.

The first phase of the ESI process entails a reconnaissance visit to the property to observe the site environmental conditions, interview persons knowledgeable of past and current site activities, and take photographs. This initial visit will be conducted by two BVWST representatives and should last approximately four to six hours.

Documents such as waste manifests, material safety data sheets, chemical inventory records, and maps, property plots, drawings, or sketches showing the boundaries of your site ownership and the facility structures are useful to personnel conducting the reconnaissance.

We will be contacting you to schedule the reconnaissance visit and interview.

The second phase of the ESI, will entail another visit by BVWST representatives to conduct sampling and obtain the additional information necessary to evaluate environmental conditions on the site and the immediate surrounding areas. The requirement for a sampling

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visit will be determined after the reconnaissance visit. Arrangements for additional activities will be coordinated with the facility owner/operator before any work begins.

Enclosed is a copy of a USEPA contractor letter of introduction. The letter was prepared by USEPA Region V to assure site owners/operators of the legitimacy of our request for site access and to explain the statutory basis for the inspection. Mr. Alan Altur is the USEPA Work Assignment Manager for this project, and he should be contacted if you want to verify the requirement for an ESI or our need for an initial visit to your facility. Mr. Altur can be reached at (312) 886-0390.

Also enclosed is a site reconnaissance worksheet. BVWST personnel will use a similar worksheet to conduct activities during the first visit. Please have the person(s) you designate to be interviewed during the reconnaissance visit prepared to provide the type of information contained on the worksheet.

We appreciate your cooperation in this matter. If you have any questions concerning the ESI, I can be reached at (312) 683-7822 between the hours of 7 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Very truly yours, B&V WASTE SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY CORP.

Wade A. Gregson

Enclosures

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